TO REORGANIZE THE PARTY.

AN ANALYSIS OF THE FOUR PLANS DISCUSSED BY CITY DEMOCRATS. The Vital Points in Party Policy Wherett

they Biffer-Liection Bistrict vs. Assembly District Rule - The Primary Meeting and How it is Proposed to Govern it. At least four distinct plans for reorganzation will be presented for the consideration of the committee to be selected at the Democratic mass meeting next Tuesday night. One is the scheme of the Hotel Brunswick Com-mittee; the second is that drafted by E. L. Parris and adopted by the Young Men's Demoeratic Club; the third is that drafted by Mayor Cooper and adopted by the Irving Hall Committee, while the fourth is the work of Frank Ransom. In the last-named plan an election district association, holding monthly meetings. is the unit of power. As almost all its other features are to be found in some one of the other plans, there is no need of explaining it in In a general way it may be said of the Irving Hall plan, that its main characteristics are simplicity, elasticity, and especial care in guarding against false returns by inspectors; of the Hotel Brunswick plan, that it is elaborate in its safeguards against false voting, and of the Young Men's Democratic Club plan, that it guards against false voting, and against the centralization of power, all officers and representatives being elected directly by the voters

and at any time removable by them. The Irving Hall plan provides for organization by election districts. In the plans presented by the Young Men's Democratic Club and the Hotel Brunswick Committee the organization is by Assembly districts, with election district representation. The club's plan provides for one or more associations in each Assembly district, composed of all the enrolled Democratic voters in that district. These associations are to hold monthly meetings, and have general control of primary elections. Whenever there shall be more than 600 voters enrolled as members of any association, the same may be divided into as many associations as the majority of the original association may lecide. There is also a county committee. which appoints the time for holding primaries and conventions, and is charged with the general interests of the party in the county. The Hotel Brunswick plan, and also that of Irving Hall, have nearly similar provisions concerning the county committee, but in place of the local associations they have Assembly district committees, that of the former consisting of one member from each election district in the Assembly district, and that of the latter made up of delegates from the election districts, one being allowed for every one hundred Democratic voters or fraction thereof exceeding

being allowed for every one hundred Democratio voters or fraction thereof exceeding fifty. A peculiar power is given this committee under the Irving Hall plan. It may add to its membership by a two-thirds vote.

In discussing the relative merits of the election district and the Assembly district systems, in behalf of the former it is claimed that at an election by election districts every voter has time and opportunity for voting, while it is a familiar device under the Assembly district system for one faction to crowd in large numbers to the polls, delaying their riviss until it is too late for their votes to be received. On the other hand it is urged that an election district in the city is a mere subdivision of territory, within which the voters have no special community of sentiment or interests such as is found in the country; that the expense of procuring a place for holding primaries in each of the 678 election districts of the city would be avoided by the Assembly district system; that in many districts in some of the upper portions of the city a suitable place could not be procured, and in many down-town districts a sultable one could not be found; and that to avoid expense, and on account of this difficulty, the primaries would generally be called to meet in salcous or liquor stores, as is now the practice under this system. Against the Assembly district association plan, it is urged that the expense are to it. In its favor it is claimed that the interest of voters in political affairs would be continuous instead of spasmodic, as now.

In regard to officers and delegates, the Young Men's Democratic Club's plan provides the nusual officers— President, Vice-President, &c.—
for the association: Two standing committee—all of whom are elected by the voters of the association. Two standing committee—all of whom are elected by the voters of the association. Two standing committee all of whom are elected by the voters of the county committee also have the appointment of one delegate to the executive commi

whom are elected by the voters of the association. Two standing committees—on finance and enrollment—are appointed by the President. The five delegate to the county committee also have the appointment of one delegate to the executive committee of the county committee. In the Hotel Brunswick Committee's plan there is an Assembly district committee of as many members as there are elected, not appointed. The Irving Hall pan has a similar provision for an Assembly district on the provision for an Assembly district on the provision for an Assembly district on the provision for an Assembly district in the last Presidential election. In the Irving Hall plan the first five voters present after the hour for which the meeting is called can organize by choosing a chairman and secretary. The name and residence of each person voting are recorded in writing, together with the name of the person for whom he orally votes. This record constitutes the return. This dispenses with inspectors and a board of enrollment. In the plan of the Hotel Brunswick Committee the county committee, consisting of three members from each Assembly district, is appointed by the Assembly district committee. In the Irving Hall plan the county committee, consisting of three members from each district.

As to the power of removal there is an important difference in the plans. In that proposed by the Young Men's Club. any officer of the proposed by the Young Men's Club. any officer of the proposed of the county committee. In the power of the proposed removal at any meeting of the members on the written request of one-tenth of the members or by a vote of we-thirds of the members brown in the call for the members of the bommittee. This arrangement permits no home of the proposed of the county committee, and the person to be removed was also given ten dars' notice. Removal by a committee is allowed only in the case of the county committee. This may be done at any time by a majority vote of that Assembly district committee by which the office of the county c

gives the vacancy is filled by the other delegibles elected.

By both the club's plan and that of the Hotel Brunswick Committee, any person is entitled to annoliment who is a Democrat, a voter, and a resident of the district, and only those so entelled are entitled to vote. In the Irving Hall blan there is no provision for earoliment, but bersons voting are required to give their names and residences. This plan assumes that in an election district the voters are so well known to one another that enrollment is not required to rear darker that enrollment committee the cinb's plan the enrollment committee merely examine and report, for the action of the second of the control of the second of the control of the second of the control of Fork of enrolling voters is done by the secra-ary and his assistant. But in the plan of the Hotel Brunswick Committee this work is in-guisted to the enrollment board. Hence arises the propriety of having the committee of en-

rollment appointed under the former plan, but | THE YACHTSMEN AT DINNER lected under the latter.

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elected under the latter.

The plan of the Young Men's Democratic Club provides that the executive committee of the association shall once a year revise the roll of membership for the purpose of reporting to the association shall once a year revise the roll of membership for the purpose of reporting to the association the names of any who have died, removed from the district, or ceased to act with the party. Such names are stricken from the roll. Under the plan of the Hotel Brunswick Committee this is done at least four times in each year by the enrollment committee; but the fact that a person has ceased to act with the Democratic party is not cause for crasing his name from the roll. In the club plan the power to add to cratrike from the roll any disputed name iles with the association; in the Hotel Brunswick plan it is vested in the enrollment committee. Those who do not favor enrollment active the experience of Tammany after the reorganization succeeding Tweed's overthrow as proof that the expansion of previous enrollment fails to prevent centralized autocracy. Those favoring enrollment ascribe the failure in that case to the fact that, however carefully wrongful voting was guarded against, there was no adequate provision for a fair count and return of the ballots cast.

The pians of the Young Men's Democratic Club guards against dictation by any central body by a provision not found in sither of the other plans. It declares that tehall not be competent for the association, either through itself or any committee, to place in nomination any ticket to be voted for at any primary election any ticket to be voted for at any primary election any ticket to be voted for at any primary election of the other plans. If declares that itself in the latting Hall scheme the voting is viva voce, the voter giving his own name and residence, and orally announcing the persons whom he would elect. This is own name and residence, and orally announcing the persons whom he would elect. This is recorded in writing, and this record

convention. Between two conventions assem-bling at the same time in any Assembly district the county committee shall decide. A contest over any office in the association, which shall not have been settled by the association within one month after election, shall be decided by the county committee. It the credentials of dele-gates to the county committee whose seats are contested shall have been signed by all the in-spectors, they shall take their seats; otherwise, they shall not take their seats until the contest is decided. No provision concerning contest is made by either of the Irving Hall and Hotel Brunswick plans, other than what may be in the power given under each plan to the Assembly district committee, so far as relates to judging of the qualifications and election of its own members.

ISOLATED BY SNOW.

How Sag Harbor was Cut Off from Ratirons Communication for Three Days.

From Tuesday afternoon until Friday afternoon the town of Sag Harbor, at the east end of Long Island, was out off from railroad communication with New York and Brooklyn. The last train that left Sag Harbor westward was that of Conductor Sweazy, which started on time on Tuesday afternoon. This train did not find its way back to Sag Harbor until 25 o'clock P. M. on Friday. On Tuesday it reached Manor fifteen minutes late, and as the mail train on the main line from Greenport had gone west, an effort was made to overtake it, but in the interim the snow had drifted so badly in the cuts between Manor and Yaphank badly in the cuts between Manor and Yaphank that conductor Sweazy's train was caught, and it was with difficulty that he managed to get back again. The passengers on the 3% o'clock train of Tuesday from Brooklyn only reached Lakeland that night, and on Wednesday they could get no further than Yaphank, where they were glad to accept the hospitalities of the County Almshousa officials.

On Thursday the 3% o'clock train from Brooklyn succeeded in getting through on the Sag Harbor branch as far as Good Ground nearly on time. This train was preceived by the snow plough, with two locomotives, and the express freight train, with two locomotives. The plough worked its way over the Shinne-cock hills through several deep cuts succeafully, but the drifts were very heavy within three miles of Southampton, and when it had pushed its way through to within two miles of the depot the plough left the track, and an all-night detention was occasioned. When this accident took place a party of the passengers left the train near midnight to waik to Southampton, having to go across the fields on account of the heavy drifts near the track. The snow was over a foot deep on the level. It was not until near 10 the next morning that the belated passengers in the train reached the hotels at Southampton. Among them were ladies who had been on the road from Brooklyn since Tuesday afternoon, and these did not reach Sag Harbor until Friday afternoon, having been three days en route. that conductor Sweazy's train was caught and

DOWN AN EMBANKMENT.

The Tumble of a Locomotive on the Long Island Railroad Testerday.

The locomotive of a milk train on the Long Island Railroad ran off the track at Hicksville vesterday morning. It toppled over an embankment twenty feet high, turning completely over. Engineer Rich and Fireman McCarthy went down with the locomotive. The McCarthy went down with the lecomotive. The train hands at once went to work to rescus them. They were found tring in the cab under the debris, held down by the weight of the driving wheels and fire box. It did not seem that their bodies occupied a space more than five inches deep, and all believed them to be dead. The fireman's left leg lay across the engineer's neck, and with the great weight pressing upon his neck. Bish narrowly escaped death by suffocation. After an hour's hard work the men were extricated. When taken out they showed no signs of life. Dr. Rare, who was present, however, took them in charge and soon brought them to. Rich is injured internally. McCarty's left leg is broken in two places, and it will have left leg is broken in two places. left leg is broken in two pinces, and it will have to be amputated.

Clarets, Sauternes. Rhine and Bungarian wines from \$1.50 per gallon; Rve, Bourbon, Scotch, and Irish whis-keys, cognate, cordials, and champagnes at lowest ma-hat prices. H. Mongaris, 20 Ann st.—dek.

A NAUTICAL SPREAD AND A NAUTICAL WAY OF DOING THINGS.

Nautical Cartoons, Nautical Biscussions, and Preventor Back Stays for Use while Splin-ing the Main Brace-Some Striking Mottoos

A dinner to members of the New York Yacht Club of a novel description, with striking nautical effects, was recently given at the club rooms. The hosts were Capt. Herman Oelrichs of the Hildegarde, and Capt. Alexander Taylor, Jr., of the steam yacht Skylark. The table was spread as if on the deck of a ship. Dishes hung in the brails above, bunting was profusely displayed, and shrouds and preventer back stays were at hand to steady the speakers as they rose to reply to tossts, in case the vessel rolled. On the quarter deck was a band which played marine airs from the old songs of Dibdin to the more modern ones of a nautical opera. "It almost makes me feel like a real sailor," said Capt. Ed. Brown of the stanch sloop Psyche, as he waited down his "pousse café" and blew a cloud from his Reina. At each guest's plate was a caricature desig-

nating his place at table. Even the flag officers were not spared. These cartoons were in India ink, and made telling hits on personal peculiarities or avocations. As the cartoons were passed around they provoked uproarious merriment and applause. Capt. Oelrichs was represented standing on the deck of the Hildegarde, riment and applauss. Capt. Oelrichs was represented standing on the deck of the Hildegards, flourishing a ladie with an immense punch bowl where the binnacle ought to be, and the telling motto undernesth of "Punching their heads." The other host, Capt. Taylor, was shown as a modern Casabianca taking an involuntary aerial flight, the boiler of his yacht having bursted, while all around "fragments atrewed the sea." It is construed as representing his fate as a Congressional candidate in the recent election. Fleet Surgeon Alex. M. Fisher was represented with a skull under one arm and a bundle of saws and other surgical instruments under the other rushing frantically for the flagship in answer to the sick call. Treasurer Jas. O. Proudfit has a huge package of club securities slung over his back, and with a huge horse pistol in his right hand warns off invaders of the treasury. The motto is. 'Old money backs.' Rear-Commodore James D. Smith, in full salior's rig, holds tightly to a back stay as the Estelle slips along before the breeze, leading the fleet. Underneath is written. "So say we all of us." Capt. Ed Chase, known as the great Corlinthian, is vigorously hauling at a halliand. W. Lindsay Blatch is sketched as an eighteen-carat fine dandy, with the motto. "Ain't he a darling? Lardy da." Capt. Ed Brown of the Psyche was running wildly toward his yacht with a couple of boxes of lamons under his acms. "By his fruits shall yo know him." was underneath. Henry N. Alden in exaggerated nautical costume clung firmly to the weather shrouds. The motto a ketch of him sitting in a cabin with "Unele Tom's cabin" underneath, was undoubtedly appropriate. The name of George Ridd probably suggested the carleature of him as the pirate king.

John R. Platt and Thomas B. Asten were represented as having a fierce tug of war over the will hesitate to make a verbal announcement of his choice when by an doing he may offend a powerful neighbor, and that for this reason a verbal vole would be neither full not free. The second of the second of the neighbor and that for this reason a verbal vole would be neither full not free. The neither full not free. The neither full not free a powerful neighbor, and the second for any power of the course free from the first beneder to the self. The second for any power as may have been selected for that purposes by the association. Is provided for all associal meetings and those for the election of the riving notice of meetings to be held uppears in the plan presented by the Hotel Brunswick Committee, In the last named plans, as also in that of the Young Men's Democratic Club, the world of the control of the second of the second

with Amentiliado, and boiled saimon with Liebfranenmich formed a part of the frugal repast. Canvasback ducks were not left out, as from their name they are appropriately part of a sailor's fare.

After the dinner came speeches and the reading of essays on nautical subjects. These proved to be intensely scientific, and were received with unanimous voteo of thanks, and ordered to be denosited in the archives. Bear Commodore Smith, in an able essay, attacked George Osgood's theory that hollow lines prevented burnacles. He said that hollow lines had, in the past, been fruitful causes of disaster. Mr. Samuel Platt, first mate of the Clio, had no thesis before him, but rose and delivered an eloquent extempore defence of burnacles, and wanted to know why they should be prevented barnacles the theory was incorrect and against the laws of naval construction. He said barnacles were essential to a ship's security. A hot argument followed, but as it turned out afterward that Mr. Platt had construed Commodores mith's remarks into an attack on "binnacles," it was voted to engross them at the club's expense and file them among the records as the ableat essay of the evening. Capt. Taylor's essay on "Trigger-nometry" produced a marked effect among the members, and was unanimously voted as clear as mud, and intelligible as Expitian hieroglyphics to the most superficial observer. Treasurer Proudit said much confusion had at times existed in the club in consequence of the difference of opinion as to what time the sun arrived over the fore yard. He had discovered an infallible method of telling the precise hour, but was unable to impart it to the club at present, as he desired first to patent it, form a stack company, and sell some shares. There was considerable discussion on the subject. Julien Myers arrived that it depended a good deal upon the time the steward of the yacht got up. Capt. Olerichs read an essay on the lead, log, and bookout.

Capt. Ed. Brown tread an essay on the merits of Wind Jamniers versus Teakettles." He alvo

A Corporal Drowned at Fortress Monroe. FORTBESS MONROE, Dec. 25 .- At about 3 o'clock

Christmas in Columbus, Ohio. COLUMBUS, Dec. 25.-Christmas was very gen COLUMBUS, Dec. 25.—Christmas was very generally observed here. William Wagner, proprietor of a brick ward, was stabbed fatally in a saloon to-day, it is supposed, by an associate named Ferminand Krost. Twenty prisoners in the county jell mutinied to-day, and all the police in the south end of the town were called in to quell them. One shot was freed, but without fatal results. Cold water and chunks of coal thrown at the prisoners were found to be sufficient arguments to quiet them. Several convicts were aeriously injured by being hit with pieces of coal.

BURGLARS ALONG THE HUDSON.

tores of Places Entered and Robbed-Seven

FISHKILL LANDING, Dec. 25 .- On Wednesday night last burglars visited Glenham and Fishkill Village, in this town, and raided a dozen or more stores, but in each case the booty obtained was small. The same day, while John B. Montfort, ticket agent at Fishkill Village of the Newburgh, Dutchess and Connecticut Rail-road, was at dinner, the office was broken into and robbed. On Monday night Coldwell's hardware store, at Matteawan, and Colvin Cole's Travellers' Home were entered, and a quantity of goods stolen. Several other robberies have recently been committed in this town, and at Wappinger's Falls, a night or two ago, fifteen or twenty business places were visited, and ten of them were broken open and robbed. The work seems to have been done by three men, not skilful burglars, although they used jimmies and other professional burglar tools. Police officers were on duty in the village at the

men, not skilful burglars, sithough they used jimmies and other professional burglar tools. Police officers were on duty in the village at the time, but the thieves seem to have cluded their vigilance and got safely away with their booty. The same night the village of Now Hamburgh, a short distance away, was visited, and the office of the Eagle Foundry Company was forced open with a jimmy, rausacked, and robbed.

Across the river a few nights ago burglars robbed the residence of a Justice of the Peace in Turners, and the same gang then started off over the Newburgh and New York Railroad and broke into and robbed every office on the line. Last Saturday night the coal office of Heary Hunter and the meat market of a Mr. Brundage, in Cornwill, were broken into and plundered. A few nights before this the store of Howell & Van Keuren, in Pine Bush, was robbed of over \$250 worth of kid gloves, neckties, cutlery clothing, &c. In Newburgh the grocery of B. & A. McCloy, at William street and Broadway, was entered a few nights ago. The offices of Frank G. Wood, denier in cement pipes, in Washington street, near Liberty, and Jesse Oakley & Co., soap manufacturers, adjoining, have also been entered within the past week. In these latter cases the drawers and desks were robbed of their contents.

These burglaries have been attributed to a gang of tramps that have made their headquarters at the house of Patrick Gilleran, at West Parmenter and Mill streets, Newburgh, It is a grocery and liquor store, and considered one of the worst dens in the county. The police of the worst dens in the county. The police of the worst dens in the county. The police of the city have had it under surveillance for some time. The place is known as the Trambe Hotel." On Friday night the police raided the place and public the sease and iarge quantities of clothing, jowelry, and watches. In the night the gang who make it their headquarters. These were win. Clarkon, John Doyle, David Ross, Henry Lester, Charles McErlean, and Richard Clair. The police s

of the gane; obe into the depot of the New York,
Burgiars broke into the depot of the New York,
Lake Erie and Western Bailroad at Chester on
Monday. They tore a side from the office and
removed the safe to a neighboring field, where
they forced it open and obtained \$30. The
thieves escaped.

BOOTBLACKS COMBINING.

All Anxiom to Join a Movement they had Not Heard of, but Approved, A story having been published that the pootblacks of this city had combined to raise the price of shines on Jan. 1 from five cents to ten cents, a reporter for THE SUN set out to ascertain its truth.

Patrick C. Lynch's place of business is on Park row, from Beekman street to the Franklin status. He said, in reply to questions:

"Business is not so good as it used to be, I do not see the effects of any commercial prosperity. I have not heard of any movement to raise the price of shines from five cents to ten cents, but I would be willing to join such a movement. Such a movement could be brought about in this way. If a man only threw down five cents, we couldn't get any more without a row, and perhaps we couldn't get it then; but when a man threw down a ten-cent piece we could teil him the price was raised to ten cents and move away, and then he couldn't get back the change without a row. We ought to get ten cents. I only make from thirty-five cents to seventy-five cents a day. It only got two ten-cent customers to-day. It used to be more than half ten-cent customers two years ago. Now it's almost all five cents. I think there ought to be a license. A license would keep a good many boys off the street and leave them that attended to their business more to do. I could afford to pay \$3 the first year for a license and \$1 a year afterward. There ought to be about 400 bootblacks in the city. I should think, and that would make as much as \$1.200 to the city. It costs me six cents for supper, six cents for lodging, and six cents for breaklast at the Newsboys' Home, at the corner of Gouverneur street and East Brondway. It is under the care of the Children's Aid Society, and they treat us first rate. They trust us for boxes and everything. I got a suit of ciothes—not these—for a prize in the night school, and then I got a pair of shoes for another prize. Five other boys got suits of ciothes. There ain't any vests to the suits. I don't know why there ain't any vests to the suits. I don't know why there ain't any vests to the suits. I don't know why there ain't any vests to the suits. I don't know why there ain't any vests."

James Burke's place of business is in front of St. Paul's Church. He is 11 years old. He said: I made soventy cents this morning by shines. I had two ten-cent customers. I have not been asked to ratao the regular price to ten. You don't ever get ten cents now from people that's fiv. You get it from Dutchmen. When you see a Dutchman you say. Steelavixen, and he gives you ten cents. I don't know how to spell it. You can't get ten cents now from people that's fiv. You get it from Dutchmen. When you see a Dutchman you say. Steelavixen, and he gives you ten cents. I don't know how to spell it. You cent shines, but I'm not down th when a man threw down a ten-cent piece we could tell him the price was raised to

and that these two words are German for and that these two words are German for "wipe your boots."

Frank Miran's place of business is at the corner of Cortlandt street and Broadway. He is an Italian. He said:

"I dona understand. Yes; ten cents, Woda iss lizence? I make thirty cents to-day. Nota mucha, ten cents. Me wanta five cents. Yes, me wanta ten cents more."

Frank Miran kissed his hand to the reporter at the close of the interview.

The general opinion of the trade appears to be in favor of a raise to ten cents.

The Pope and the Irish Agitation.

LONDON Dec. 25.—The correspondent of the Times at Rome says: "I am justified in asserting that the Land League in Ireland fulls distinctly within the cate-Land League in Ireland fails distinctly within the category of associations regarded by the Vatican as revolutionary, and when the Pope, as in the dominent published in the theoretic Russian, deploring the writing of the continuous in Ireland—for the official results of which I can fully votice—ereaks of anarchical means, he points distinctly to "Boycotting" and other unworthy systems. After this utterance there can no longer remain any justification for the assortion made by a portion of the Irish priess that the Pope countenances the proceedings they advocate."

Glove Fight in Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 25 .- Young Sullivan, the Roston giant, who knocked Joe Gova out of time with the gloves, and John Donaldson of Cleveland, signed articles few days ago for a glove centest for \$100 a side. The a rew days ago to a court with small hard gloves before a select and very small party act mild. Ten runnils were fought, in every one of which floadid-on was either kneeked down or went down to avoid punishment. At the end of the tenth round Bonnilson said he was activated that Studies a should take the money, and the fight was ended.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.-Miss Ada Hebden, 22 years CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—Alies Adh Hobilen, 22 years of are engaging in manner, and highly exteemed by her acquaintances, has been living in Lake avenue with her brother, Robert Hebden, assistant manager of the Bank of Montreal in this city. Last hight site attended some Christmas testiviles at a neighbor's, and was among the merriest. This morning she ness breaktsed, and dime as usual. Some aller dinner, finding herself alone in the room, and without warning or explanation from a pistol, and without warning or explanation fired a shot into her head and tell dead on the carpet.

Two Stabbing Affrays.

Abraham Bray, colored, of 4 Catharine lane, A Woman Robbed in the Street.

Mrs. Cummings of 221 West Housion street was stabled in the hack by Henry Williams, at Leonard and Baxter streets, instruction. The wounded man is in the than street, near Hudson street, at about 2 o'clock on Friday atternoon. Lest evening Policeman Ivanhoe of the Frince street station arrested John NcCarriny of 309 Spring street, who was identified by Mrs. Cummings as assistant.

THE STORY OF TWO CHECKS.

FORGERY THAT PUZZLES THE BROOK-LYN POLICE DETECTIVES.

Weman Prisoner who Says the Checks were Given her in Payment for a Farm-A Similar Instance of Frand Recalled. In the case of the forged checks for \$2,950 signed by Gill, Baird & Co. of Brooklyn, and drawn upon the Commercial Bank of Brooklyn, in which Henry W. Sackett, a young lawyer, the partner of Mr. C. A. Runkle, and Adolph Bessle of 786 Monroe street, Brooklyn, a roal estate broker, were arrested, the Brooklyn police yesterday arrested Mrs. Josephine Trau of Westbury, L. L. Mr. Sackett's inno-cence of any complicity in the transaction was promptly shown, as his story that all he knew about the case was that the check was given to him by Mr. Runkle to be certified was corrobo-rated by Mr. Runkle. The latter said that

Adolph Bessie had given him the check for \$1,150, and offered to pay him five per cent. upon the amount if he would get it cashed. He had a slight acquaintance with Bessie, having been his counsel in some unimportant matters. and he requested Mr. Sackett to go over to Brooklyn to get the check certified. Although the Commercial Bank had paid, on Dec. 22, a similar check for \$1,800 to a woman who was identified by a Mr. Davis, who was

been his counsel in some summortant matters, and he requested Mr. Sackett to go over the Albourch the Commercial Rank had paid, on the pair of the county of the Rossing Great Albourch the Commercial Rank had paid, on the part of the Rossing Great Albourch the Commercial Rank had paid, on the pair of the Rossing Great Albourch the Commercial Rank had paid, on the pair of the Rossing Great Albourch the Commercial Rank had paid the state of the Rossing Great Albourch the Commercial Rank had paid the Rossing Great Rank had been paid to start the Rossing Great Rank had been paid to start the Rossing Great Rank had been paid to start the Rossing Great Rank had been paid to start the Rossing Great Rank had been paid to start the Rossing Rank had been paid to star

any one. The Viguaux-Slosson Match.

Slosson's billiard room in Twenty-third atreet was crowded all day yesterday with men who had either to pay debts or to receive winnings. Many opinions were given as to the decision in the Vignaux-Slosson match. Schaefer and Sexton and other promi-nent billiard players said that the fact that the referee changed his decision once made is a blot on the history of billiard playing. Never believe has a retrieve in a great game of billiards given a decision and then backed out of it. of billiards pissing game of billiards given a decision and then backed out of it.
Leslie Slosson says that some Frenchmen who had backed Vignaius in the pools, when their tickets were cashed yesterday, said that they felt that they were rubbing someheave of his money. There is a rumor that Schizeler will challence Slosson on his return from Paris for a 3,000-point game.

Killed by Ex-Gov. Scott.

Tolepo, Dec. 25.-In Napoleon, Ohio, last night, Gen. R. K. Scott, ex-Governor of South Carolina, and now a resident of Napoleon, shot and killed a young

CHICAGO, Dec. 25 .- Saloon keepers, police. CHICAGO, Doc. 25.—Saloon geopers, police, and general observers unite in saying that there has been more drunkenness to-day among young men that ever seen better on the stricts of Chicago. These were of a class who seldom drink, and their state to-day is accounted for by the custom of providing free egg nogs to all comers at the city bars.

BROOKLYN.

A wax candle on a Christmas tree in the pareor of Mr. Charles Scheim of 134 Amity street. Brooklyn, set fire to a window curtain vesterday, and caused Soi Jannage. Mr. Schemin putting out the fire was slightly burned.

Joseph Weir, aged 18, was arrested vesterday on a charge of rublum his icilus bounders, William Heptick and George Hass, at 178 Ten. Eyek street, Brooklyn-Heptick, leat \$27, and Hass lost a watel said chain worth \$12. The watch and part of the money were found upon Weir. He was short of money to buy Christmas presents, and it is alleged that that was the cause of the first part of the money were supported to the desired that the was the cause of the first part of the money were supported to the first mass presents, and it is alleged that that was the cause of the first.

THE GREEK FRONTIER QUESTION.

Conditions on which the Powers are finid to

LONDON, Dec. 25.—A despatch from Paris to the Times says: "The arbitration proposal is regarded as acceptable by all the powers on the basis indicated by the North German Gazette of Berlin-that is, that the Ports and Greece shall be asked whether they are willing to submit to the award of the powers, and the powers shall not consider unanimity respecting the award as a necessity but that any resolution come to by a majority of four shall be regarded as binding on the minority."

A despatch from Berlin to the Times says:

The Russian Minister at Athens has been sum-"The Russian Minister at Athens has been summoned to St. Petersburg to enlighten the Czar on the Greek question and to receive instructions."

St. Petersburg, Dec. 25.—The Agence Russe, in announcing that Russia has agreed to arbitration of the Greek frontier question provided that Turkey and Greece promise to accept the decision of the powers, explains that the refusal by Greece to accept the arbitration scheme does not refer to the proposal of the powers, but to the demand put forward by Turkey.

ATHINS, Dec. 25.—Two members of the diplomatic body recently unofficially interviewed M. Comoundoures. President of the Council and Minister of Foreign Affairs, relative to European arbitration, and, it is understood, he declined the proposal.

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The wife and two sons of the Russian Grand Duko Nicholas have arrived here. They are the guests of King George, and were enter-tained at a state banquet on Friday. Constantinopts, Dec. 25.—If the Porte ac-cepts arbitration of the Greek question it will stipulate that Ottoman troops shall occupy the Balkans.

Mr. Winnie was burned severely in trying to get out, and his wire, Jane Winnie, aged 60, was so badly burned that she died soon after beine removed by the neighbors. The new was caused by the explosion of a keroscae form. The locals 520. In coing to the fire, Fireman Michael Murray of 180 Twenty-first street, who was attached to Engine 19, fell and had a leg broken.

A Car Whipped off the Track.

At 10 o'clock yesterday morning, as a train on the Brooklyn, Bath and Coney Island Railroad was turning the curve at Thirty-sixth street and Fifth avenue. ing the curve at intry-sixth street and ritth avenue, Brooking, the wheels of the rear ear, containing several passengers, singed off the track, and the car was whipped against a tree on the readshide. The passengers were knowed about, and the sade of the car was a sailed in. No one, however, was seriously injured, aithough one of the passengers was somewhat tribsed.

Slashed with a Mazor in a Quarrel. FLUSHING, L. I., Dec. 25 .- About 6 o'clock this evening in an altercation between George Shroder and August Hillof in the barroom of the latter, Shroder drew - rater and cut everal Zasles in Hillor's throat inficting injuries which may prove fatal.

Saicide of Switzerland's President. Beine, Dec. 25,—M. Anderwort, who was re-cently elected freshient of the swiss Connederation for lest, committed succede at works, the sevening in the public premenade, by shooting himself with a revolver.

SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH.

Amos Frys of Contogook, N. H., a veteran of the war of 1812, is dead, aged 83. wantes E. Owens, ex-champion wrestler, died on Friday
wening in Fairtas, Vt., of bronchial trouble.

Enward Purcell, a gate tender, at Meriden, Gonn., was
illed by the limited express from New York yesterday.

The second session of the Provincial Assembly of the Mount of Carlot Version and Carlot James E. Owens, ex-champion wrestler, died on Friday evening in Fairfax, Vt., of bronchial trouble.

CHRISTMAS EISTEDDFOD.

WELSHMEN FYING IN POETRY, SONG, AND THE USEFUL ARTS.

An Unusual and Interesting Competition— Titles of Songs which Give an Inkling of What the Stanzas Look Like—The Prince. In Association Hall yesterday afternoon the Weishmen of New York held an Eisteddfod. Eisteddfod is believed to be a Welsh word meaning a congress or meeting. The object of the one annually held in New York at Christmas time is to develop the literary and musical ability which exists among people of Weish birth or descent, to keep alive their knowledge of the language and songs of

the old country, and their skill in some domes-tic industries in which Welsh people are reputed to be especially expert. Money prizes ranging from \$40 down to \$1 are offered for competition by persons of Weish birth or descent, living in New York or its vicinity. of whom there is said to be about eleven thousand of the full blood and three times that number of Welsh descent. At this festival prizes were offered for the best essays written in Weish on five different subjects; for the best poems upon four subjects; for translations into English of two extracts from the literature of Wales,

subjects: for translations into English of two extracts from the literature of Wales, and into Welsh of a passage from Washington's farewell address: for the best recitation of a Welsh poem; for the best imprompts speech in Welsh on a subject given to the angalest at the wall of the speak o

munerated.

R. W. Hughes for the metrification of a passage from Scripture was awarded \$5, and the same amount was given to S. R. Jones for the translation of "Bette Sy'n Hardd" into English. Fifty cents each went to J. P. Jones and H. Parry for the reclinition of the passage in Eben Fardd's "Ymosodidd Satan ar Job." beginning:

H. Parry for the recitation of the passace is Eben Fardd's "Ymosodidd Satan ar Job," beginning:

Am snelliad, manyiu
Garando, a chilasteinio fu.

Both gentlemen seemed so thoroughly to extract the true inwardness of the poem that the prize was divided between them. The afternoon meeting wound up with "Hen Wlad is Nhadan," sung by the entire audience. Although not attractive on paper, nor a graceful tongue to convorse in, the Weish language sounds remarkably well when skiffully sung, which may be considered as a striking instance of the power of music to charm.

Postmaster James presided at the evening meeting, and was always ready with agreenble speeches when he handed the envelopes with money in them to the prize winners. The seasion began soon after 7 o'clock, and the main hall and galleries were well filled. Dr. Bevan was still in bright spirits, and the audience was sympathetic and ready with laugher and appliance. The laev, Mr. Phillips of Portchester took another \$15 prize for an essay upon the place and influence of the working class in society and sovernment. G. Evans and party, of Sistington, in a part song for male voices, achieved success, the emoluments of which were \$12. For a translation, J. E. Hughes of New York got \$5. Miss Jones of Brooklyn was the successful soprano solo, \$3.

Then followed impromptu speeches for a prize of \$1. which after much amusement for the audience, was awarded to J. P. Jones. The prize of \$1. which after much amusement for the audience, was awarded to J. P. Jones. The prize of \$1. which after much amusement for the audience, was awarded to J. P. Jones. The prize of \$1. which after much amusement for the audience was awarded to J. P. Jones. The prize of \$1. which after much amusement for the audience was awarded to J. P. Jones. The prize of \$1. which after much amusement for the audience was awarded to J. P. Jones. The prize of \$1. which after much amusement for the audience was amin which after much amusement for the audience was awarded to J. P. Jones. The prize of \$1.

Snow in the West.

CINCINNATI. Dec. 25.—Telegrams report a constant and heavy show fall all day between the load-tude of Vincennes and the Allegrames, and from the latitude of the southern line of Kentucky north. Boston, Dec. 25.—Frederick Stevens, a young man, dies of hydropholia at Plymonti, Mass, to-day, He was bitten while in Nova Scotia some months ago.

Rain and enow, northeast to northwest winds, falling, followed by rising leatometer, followed during the night by partly cloudy and sightly colder weather. JOITINGS IN AND NEAR THE CITY,

The Widow Van Cett will conduct a revival meeting in the Forsyth Street M. E. Church this evening. The steamship City of Montreal which arrived in this port vesternias, possed on Thursday the bark Nile, waterlogged and abandoned. waterlogged and shandoned.

Peter Masterson, a clerk at Police Heasquarters, fell from a ladder at his home at 255 West Futy-eighth street, yesterday, and was retinuely rejured.

Britset Herfield, 70 years old, of 244 West Thirty-fifth street died from heart disease restoring morning, while her tamily were cerebrating christians.

In spite of the morn on Friday, the skating on the many ponds in Jersey City was very good yesterday, and hundreds, young end old, emoyed the apert.

P. T. Barmura is slowly recovering from his illness. He is still mostly described and the got in hearer to his Unitation survey yesterday, than chinden broad.

The time, 8 s. Cost surminally increalessing, but is wet. The tion, S. S. Cox is gradually convaluently, but is wet very feetile, and is find indicated to recreat visities. He may not be able to take his west in Congress this winter. Mark Kenyan, colored, and 37 years, was burned to dean besterian morning at 5 of clock in her hope at 257 West Thirds second Street, while krying to start a fire with ker-sene. Figures Dennis Kilbride of Hock and Ladder Company 6, tell from his truck in Heater street yesterday after-noon while soint to a fire, sub broke his left arm. He lies in the Chambers Street Hospital.

Edward Purcell, a gate tender, at Meriden, Conn., was killed by the limited express from New York yesterday. The second session of the Provincial Assembly of East, About 5 o'clock yesterday inorming A. W. Clom of Jersey-Bright was closed yesterday by Aleko Tasta, Coverner-General, in the presence of the Canonian body.

The value of the exports of petroleum and petroleum prisiders from the United States during the month of October last was \$3.840.021, gainst \$5.027,177 for the same month in 1879, and for the sem emiting Oct. 31, \$28.822.940, against \$30.087,807 for the same period last year.

People with west lumps should always use Hale's Hon-